Bilzin Sumberg Baena Price & Axelrod LLP named Michael Foster, David Hazouri and Monica Cunill-Fals as partners.

Foster, who was an associate with the firm’s litigation department, focuses on commercial litigation, including cases of insurance coverage, bankruptcy and eminent domain issues. He graduated from Emory University School of Law and has a bachelor’s degree in business administration from the University of Miami.

Hazouri, also a former associate with the firm’s litigation department, focuses his practice on commercial litigation, including bankruptcy and unfair competition matters. He holds a law degree, cum laude, from UM and a bachelor’s degree in English from Duke University.

Cunill-Fals, who was an associate with the firm’s real estate department, focuses her practice on commercial real estate. She graduated from Nova Southeastern University’s Shepard Broad Law Center and has a bachelor’s degree in business administration from Florida International University.

Jose Gómez, director of Bermello, Ajamil & Partners’ transportation division, was named the firm’s 23rd partner. Gómez has been with the firm for just over a year. With 28 years of transportation planning, design and construction experience, Gómez has managed and directed large-scale transportation studies, including multi-level interchanges, arterial corridors and bridge replacements. In addition, Gómez has significant experience in public and community involvement, inter-agency coordination and traffic management systems. Gómez graduated from FIU with a bachelor’s of science in civil engineering technology.

Banking executive Victor Lopez de Mendoza, senior vice president, cashier and chief financial officer of Continental National Bank of Miami, was elected president of the Cuban American Bankers Association. Mendoza has more than 28 years experience in the banking industry in South Florida, covering all areas of bank operations, accounting and data processing. He has been with Continental Bank — where he is currently a member of the board of directors — since 1976. Mendoza is a director of the Florida Lions Eye Bank and a member of the American Institute of Certified Bankers and the Belen Jesuit School Advisory Board.

Bankruptcy attorney Jerry Markowitz, a founding shareholder of the law firm of Markowitz, Davis, Ringel & Trusty P.A., was selected by his peers for inclusion in The Best Lawyers in America 2005-2006 edition. A frequent speaker and active community leader, Markowitz is a director of the UM law school alumni association, former president of the Bankruptcy Bar Association for the Southern District of Florida, founding member and treasurer of the Florida Receiver’s Forum and former vice chairman of the Florida Bar Association grievance committee.

Dimond Kaplan & Rothschild, P.A., a law firm focusing on complex commercial litigation, recently announced that managing shareholder David Rothstein received an AV rating from industry standard, Martindale-Hubbell. An AV rating indicates that the lawyer has practiced law for a number of years and is recognized for the highest levels of skill and integrity. Rothstein focuses his law practice on complex commercial litigation and plaintiff-side class-action litigation. He has been named to the South Florida Legal Guide’s list of up-and-coming attorneys in 2002, 2003 and 2005.